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Dear Sir/Madam,

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
Town & Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015

Application No: LU/349/20/HH
Site Address: 32 & 33 Mariners Quay Littlehampton BN17 5DA
Description of works: Extension of rear balconies. This application affects the character & appearance of the Littlehampton (River Road) Conservation Area.

Thank you for your internet representation made on 18th February 2021 which has been recorded as an objection with the comments as follows:

OWPC33912

I live at 30 Mariners Quay.

I object to this planning application for the following reasons.

To allow the extension of two balconies as is proposed, would negatively impact not only the immediate neighbouring properties and the people living in them.

In addition, what is currently a uniformly staggered and aesthetically pleasing riverside frontage, with a public footpath and with the residents each developing their small gardens to their own taste.

If a precedence were to be set by allowing this plan, there will potentially be 20 more houses of exactly the same design, wishing to do likewise.

Not everyone would want to, or be in a position to, extend their balconies. Therefore there is potential for a very haphazard riverside frontage to develop.

The footprint of these properties are fundamentally 'two up, and two down'. Although planned less traditionally. The living room, at first floor level, is small (around 3m x 4m) but facing south, is a private and light filled space.

To have an extended balcony on either side would without doubt impact on both privacy and light. In addition, the loss of light to the downstairs room that is designed as bedroom 3, and already a dark room because of the properties existing first floor balconies, plus the the loss of privacy both at 1st floor and ground floor level would be intolerable.

I ask you to envisage the following scenario: People drinking, eating and generally socialising on their balconies, erected parasols adding to the effect on light, and BBQ's cooking. Neighbouring properties would need to shut their doors to avoid smoke coming into their homes, or to enjoy some peace and quiet. On a hot day, they might not wish to. Having shut doors and sitting in the darkened (due to loss of light as a result of the balcony next door) living room the potential loss of privacy (despite a frosted partition) would feel very

intrusive.

Whilst the current owners may believe themselves considerate neighbours, with a change of occupants, this might not always be the case.

People buy these houses, within a conservation area, believing themselves to be safe in the knowledge that little will change or effect their homes in a detrimental way.

I for one, sincerely hope that this remains the case.

Your views as made above will be considered before the application is determined.

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The majority of applications are determined under delegated powers by officers. Further information on the decision making process can be found on the website at :<https://www.arun.gov.uk/planning-decision-process>.

Some applications will be determined by the Development Control Committee, and I shall write and inform you of the date of the meeting and the procedures for public speaking if this is the case. However, if your representation has been received after the agenda for the meeting has been finalised and the notifications have been generated, you will not receive notification. In this case, you will need to track the progress of the application on the council's website <https://www.arun.gov.uk/weekly-lists>

Any comments that are received after the agenda has been finalised will be separately reported to the members of the Development Control Committee.

Regardless of how the application is determined I will notify you of the decision.

In the event of a subsequent written representations appeal, against a refusal of planning permission on a householder application any representations made on the application will be automatically forwarded to the Secretary of State. Unlike all other types of appeal, there will be no further opportunity to comment at the appeal stage.

Yours sincerely



Neil Crowther
Group Head of Planning

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